

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Status of the Claims

Claims 24, 25 and 27 are currently pending in the application. Claims 24, 25 and 27 have been amended. Support for the amendments can be found throughout Applicants' specification, for example, at paragraph 0029 and Fig. 2. No claims have been added. No claims have been cancelled. Therefore, claims 24, 25 and 27 are present for examination. Claims 24, 25 and 27 are independent claims. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application as amended.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §102

Claims 24, 25, and 27 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,580,870 B1 issued to Kanazawa et al. ("**Kanazawa**").

Applicants respectfully submit that claim 24's element "data which includes information which is configured to direct the related content to be downloaded or played back" and "if the data includes information which represents that the related content is to be downloaded or played back, connecting with the server, automatically after the reproduction of the data" are not disclosed by Kanazawa.

Specifically, Kanazawa at col. 4, line 65 - col. 5, line 54 provides a description of Figs. 2 and 3. According to "DVD 40" in Fig. 2, "DVD 40" only contains "title information 40a" and "information management table 40b", which is not "data which includes information which is configured to direct the related content to be *downloaded or played back*". (emphasis provided). In other words, Kanazawa's "DVD 40" is simply text data which is used to populate DVD tracks, title, etc., but is not data (*i.e.*, content) which is played back, as in claim 24. Kanazawa's "title information 40a" and "information management table 40b" simply populate the text information for the DVD, but is not data which is played back. Hence, for at least this reason, Applicants respectfully submit that Kanazawa fails to teach or suggest each and every element of claim 24.

Claims 25 and 27 include similar limitations to those of claim 24. Therefore, for at least these reasons, Applicants submit that claims 24, 25, and 27 are allowable over Kanazawa. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claims 24, 25, and 27 be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested. Applicants do not acquiesce to any objection, rejection, or argument not specifically addressed herein. Rather, Applicants believe the amendments and arguments contained herein overcome all objections, rejections, or arguments.

Further, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment in connection with this paper to Deposit Account No. 20-1430.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 303-571-4000.

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